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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HENRY A. KISSINGER
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: President's Announcement of Future Troop Withdrawals from Viet-Nam

You will recall that in connection with previous troop withdrawal announcements, we authorized our Ambassadors to inform the Governments of Viet-Nam and the Troop Contributing Countries a short time in advance concerning the general content of the announcement. In accordance with this precedent, we have prepared the attached draft telegrams which we suggest should be completed as to substance of the announcement and dispatched in advance of the President's speech, following the timing suggested on each telegram. Although we have not in the past included Prime Minister Sato, we recommend that we do so on this occasion and have therefore also included a telegram to Tokyo.

You will note that the timing of the dispatch of our telegrams on the occasion of the President's April 7 announcement was as follows:

Saigon	75 hours
Canberra/Wellington	72 hours
Bangkok	57 hours
Seoul	24 hours

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Theodore L. Eliot, Jr.
Executive Secretary

Attachments:
Suggested draft telegrams

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